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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Docket #FHWA-98-3656 RIN 2125-AE-40

As a high volume intermodal carrier, I feel it necessary to forward my concerns in reference to 49 CFR 390 and 396 redefining issue.

I have experienced multiple DOT roadside inspections and have had numerous summonses relating to intermodal equipment. These summonses directly effect my company's safety rating. In addition, the equipment maintenance issues are out of my company's hands due to the fact that we do not own said equipment. Therefore we do not maintain said equipment.

I am pleading with the FHWA to require transportation providers who tender equipment to truckers to ensure that this equipment is issued in good operating condition.

Regards,

Tim Shea  
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Uncommon Carrier Inc.